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REMARKS

Claim 24 is canceled without prejudice. Claims 9, 20, 22-23, and 25-28 remain in the Application for consideration. In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be forwarded on to issuance.

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Interview Summary

Applicant's attorney, Michael Colby, wishes to thank the Examiner for an Examiner-Initiated telephonic interview on May 1st, 2007. During the interview, Applicant's attorney and the Examiner discussed independent claims 9, 20, and 22. The Examiner agreed to allow all of the pending claims in their amended form above.

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Response

As noted in the Interview Summary above, Applicant amends independent claims 9, 20, and 22 in the understanding that they are now considered by the Office to be allowable over the art of record. Applicant reserves the right to file any of these claims in their prior form(s) in a continuation application.

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Conclusion

All of the claims are in condition for allowance. If the Office's next anticipated action is to be anything other than issuance of a Notice of Allowability, Applicant respectfully requests a telephone call to schedule an interview.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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